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Applicant: Taggart, Tomas D.

Examiner: Tawfik, Sameh

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASEPTIC PACKAGING**

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**BRIEF OF APPELLANT**

This Appeal Brief, pursuant to the Notice of Appeal filed January 4, 2005, is an appeal from the rejection of the Examiner dated November 18, 2004.

**REAL PARTY IN INTEREST**

Steuben Foods, Incorporated is the real party in interest.

**RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

None.

**STATUS OF CLAIMS**

Claims 20, 22-39, 41-51, 53-64 and 67-73 are currently pending. Claims 22-34, 48-51, 53-62, 64 and 73 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 45-47 are allowed. Claims 20, 35-39, 41-44, 63 and 67-72 are rejected. This Brief is in support of an appeal from the rejection of

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